

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In the PATENT APPLICATION of:**

Koiwai et al.

Application No.: 10/001,397**Confirmation No.:** 1943**Filed:** October 25, 2001**For:** LENS BARREL HAVING A FLARE
DIAPHRAGM WHICH CAN ADVANCE INTO
AND RETREAT FROM THE OPTICAL PATH
TO ELIMINATE DELETERIOUS LIGHT
RESULTING FROM MOVEMENT OF THE
LENS**Group:** 2873**Examiner:** Timothy J. Thompson**Our File:** IPO-P1132.1**Date:** April 16, 2008**SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2007 and a telephone conversation with Examiner Ed Westin conducted on December 11, 2007.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: